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1. USG DECISION TO VETO VIETNAMESE APPLICATION FOR MEMBER-SHIP IN UN, REPORTED IN ALGERIAN MEDIA SEPTEMBER 14, DRAWS ONE -- CRITICAL -- EDITORIAL DISMISSIONG USG'S EXPLANATION AND CITYING "RIGHT OF VETO" AS EXERCISED IN ANGOLAN AND VIETNAMESE APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP AS ONE OF WEAKNESSES OF UN.

2. IN FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL HEADLINED "RIGHTS OF PEOPLES AND RIGHT OF VETO", HAMID ABERKANE WRITES IN LEADING OFFICIAL FRENCH-LANGUAGE ALGIERS DAILY "AL-MOUJAHID": "ADVANTAGE GAINED BY VETO IS EXPLOITED FOR PURPOSES OF IMPERIALIST POLICY.... TO PAPER OVER LOSSS OF INTERNATIONAL CREDIT USA SUFFERED IN VIETNAM, WASHINGTON WANTS TO REAFFIRM ITS AUTHORITY.... 'MEN MISSING IN ACTION' ...ARE NOT PRISONERS, BUT ARE OFTEN DEAD OR DESERTERS.... IF ANY PARTY SHOULD RAISE THIS QUESTION IT IS VIETNAM. HOW MANY VIETNAMESE FAMILIES ARE TO THIS DAY WITHOUT NEWS OF THEIR LOVED ONES TAKEN PRISONERS BY SAIGONESE-AMERICAN ENEMY...? OTHER CONDITIONS WERE IMPOSED LAST JUNE TO CANDIDACY OF ANGOLA. ONCE MORE, U.S. HAD USED 'RIGHT OF
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OF AFRICA.... IN THESE TWO DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCES OF VIET-
NAM AND ANGOLA, FULL WEAKNESS OF UN SUBJECT TO U.S. INFLUENCE
IS LAID BARE.... THESE TWO COUNTRIES MAY HAVE TO PUT UP
WITH THIS UNFAIR SITUATIONFOR LONG TIME IN SPITE OF VER-
WHELMING MAJORITY OF VOTES IN SUPPORT OF THEIR CANDIDACIES....
ALL THIS BRINGS OBSERVERS ... TO QUESTION'RITH OF VETO'.
BY WHAT RIGHT INDEED DOES ONE STATE GRANT ITSELF PRIVILEGES
TO BE USED AS MEANS OF PRESSURE? RESPONSE WILL COME WHEN
DEBATE ON MAINTAINING OR SUPPRESSING THIS RIGHT BEGINGS".

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